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FOR HUNT FROM KONTOS

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: SECURITY OFFICER AT SFM

REF: A. SINAI 0754, B. STATE 090302

1. I HAVE CAREFULLY CONSIDERED YOUR FURTHER THINKING ON THIS SUBJECT AS CONVEYED BY REF A. THERE IS NO MAJOR DIFFERENCE OF OPINION, THOUGH THE SEMANTICS OF COMMUNICATION MAY BE CAUSING SOME CONFUSION. I FEEL IT MAY BE USEFUL TO RESTATE IN SUMMARY FORM SOME OF THE ISSUES THAT HAVE BEEN RAISED, IN AN EFFORT TO SORT OUT WHERE WE STAND AT PRESENT.

2. FIRST, I AM IN AGREEMENT ON THE NEED FOR A SOUNDLY BASED SECURITY PROGRAM AND FOR A QUALIFIED OFFICER TO GUIDE THE DEVELOPMENT OF SUCH A PROGRAM TO MEET THE
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PARTICULAR CIRCUMSTANCES AT SFM. THERE IS NO QUESTION THAT DETERMINING THE KIND OF SECURITY PROGRAM WE BOTH ENVISION MUST BE A USG RESPONSIBILITY. THE ROLE OF ESY SHOULD CONTINUE TO BE TO PROVIDE WHATEVER SUPPORT IS REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT THE SECURITY PROGRAM.

3. OUR EMPHASIS ON THE GUARD FORCE IN REF B WAS BASED

ON THE FACT THAT, PRESENTLY, IT IS ABOUT THE ONLY ELEMENT

OF ESY DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN A SECURITY FUNCTION. IT WAS NOT INTENDED BY THIS EMPHASIS TO LIMIT THE SECURITY OFFICER'S CONTACTS TO THE GUARD FORCE. INDEED HE SHOULD HAVE UNRESTRICTED ACCESS TO EVERYONE AT SFM, USG AND ESY ALIKE.

4. YOUR ANALOGY BETWEEN THE SECURITY OFFICER AND JIM WALLEN IS APPROPRIATE, AS JIM HAS CONSISTENTLY WORKED WITH AND THROUGH THE CONTRACTING STAFF ON MATTERS CONCERNING ESY OPERATIONS. WE HAVE NEVERTHELESS AGREED THAT THE SECURITY OFFICER COULD BOTH DIRECT THE GUARD FORCE LEADMAN ON PROFESSIONAL SECURITY MATTERS AND FOLLOW UP ON PERFORMANCE. WE ARE PERHAPS INTERPRETING YOUR "UNUSUAL CIRCUMSTANCES" AUTHORITY MORE BROADLY, TO ENCOMPASS SUCH MATTERS AS CHANGES IN R AND R SCHEDULES, REVISED PRECAUTIONS DUE TO A SPECIFIC THREAT, OR ADDITIONAL SECURITY PRECAUTIONS NOT NOW BEING IMPLEMENTED. IN ANY EVENT, ONCE AGREED OPTIMUM ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE REFLECTED IN BOTH REVISED CONTRACT LANGUAGE AS WELL AS IN A CAREFULLY DRAWN P AND P.

5. WITHOUT DETRACTING IN ANY WAY FROM THE PROFESSIONALISM WHICH THE SECURITY OFFICER BRINGS TO HIS JOB, RECOMMENDATIONS WHICH HE MAKES OF A NON-EMERGENCY NATURE THAT WILL BE CONFIDENTIAL

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REQUIRE A CHANGE IN THE SCOPE OF OUR CONTRACT WITH ESY SHOULD BE HANDLED AS AT PRESENT THROUGH OUR CONTRACTING OFFICERS. IN OTHER WORDS, WE SEE YOUR ROLE, AND THAT OF THE SECURITY OFFICER, AS ONE OF POLICY SETTING AND MANAGEMENT OVERSIGHT; THE ESY ROLE BEING ONE OF IMPLEMENTING POLICY GUIDANCE.

6. THE SECURITY OFFICER QUESTION HAS BEEN DISCUSSED IN DETAIL WITH WOLFE AND KAPPLE IN THE ABOVE CONTEXT, AND THEY HAVE AGREED TO COOPERATE FULLY WITH YOU AND THE NEW SECURITY OFFICER.

7. I HOPE YOU UNDERSTAND THAT WE ARE TRYING TO BE FORTHCOMING AND HELPFUL ON THIS QUESTION AND NOT GLOSS OVER THE BASIC ISSUE WHICH YOU HAVE WELL POSED. I CONTINUE TO BELIEVE THAT MR. BROWN'S TDY WILL BE USEFUL UNDER THE FOREGOING GUIDELINES. LET ME KNOW IF YOU THINK THIS SETS THE STAGE ADEQUATELY. VANCE

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